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Ms. Jocelyn Boyd  
Chief Clerk and Administrator  
South Carolina Public Service Commission  
Synergy Business Park, The Saluda Building  
101 Executive Center Drive  
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Horry Telephone Cooperative, Inc. f/k/a HTC Communications, LLC  
Designation as a Wireless Competitive ETC in Docket No. 2007-402-C  
Study Area Code (SAC) 249004

Dear Ms. Boyd:

I am writing to notify the Commission that, effective October 18, 2013, Horry Telephone Cooperative, Inc. ("Horry Telephone") transferred its wireless assets to Tide Mobility LLC. Commission approval of this transaction is not required. See S.C. Code Ann. § 58-11-100(B). However, as a result of this transfer, Horry Telephone no longer meets the definition of an eligible telecommunications carrier ("ETC") with respect to its wireless services in Study Area 249004. See 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(2) (State commissions may designate a common carrier that meets the requirements of paragraph (1) as an ETC); § 214(e)(1)(A) (a common carrier designated as an ETC shall, throughout the service area for which the designation is received, offer universal service "using its own facilities or a combination of its own facilities and resale of another carrier's services"). Please note that Horry Telephone continues to be an ETC for the provision of its incumbent local exchange telephone services (*i.e.*, SAC 240528).

By its Order No. 2007-273 in Docket No. 2007-402-C, the Commission designated HTC Communications, LLC ("HTCC") as an ETC for the provision of wireless services based in part on its finding that HTCC offered the supported services using its own facilities or a combination of its own facilities and resale of another carrier's services. See Order No. 2007-273 at p. 4. On or about January 1, 2011, Horry Telephone acquired its wholly-owned subsidiary, HTCC, and assumed all the assets, liabilities and obligations of HTCC. This

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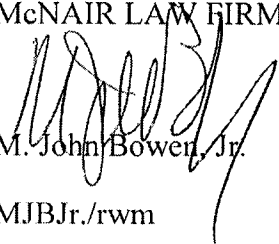
included the transfer to and assumption by Horry Telephone of all authorizations held by HTCC, including its designation as a wireless ETC pursuant to Order No. 2007-273. *See* Order No. 2012-261 in Docket Nos. 1991-514-C, 1998-49-C, and 2007-402-C.

We respectfully request that the Commission's records be updated to reflect that Horry Telephone ceased being an ETC with respect to the provision of wireless services, as previously designated in Commission Order No. 2007-273, effective October 18, 2013. Horry Telephone has contacted the Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC") and will take the necessary steps to ensure that it does not receive federal high cost support for any wireless services provided after October 18, 2013. We respectfully request that the Commission send a letter to USAC at its earliest convenience stating that, effective October 18, 2013, Horry Telephone is no longer a designated competitive ETC in the State of South Carolina with respect to the provision of wireless services in SAC 249004. Also, effective October 18, 2013, Horry Telephone has ceased the provision of facilities-based wireless services and will no longer assess or remit state universal service fees for wireless services. As stated above, Horry Telephone continues to be an ETC for the provision of its incumbent local exchange telephone services (*i.e.*, SAC 240528).

If you should have any questions or need additional information regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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